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# THE TRAIL BLAZER

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## Higher gas prices projected for summer

MATT ALLEY  
STAFF WRITER

Gas prices have surged in the past 12 months, experiencing their biggest dollar increase in the past 30 years, according to a survey con-

ducted for the American Automobile Association.

Self-serve regular, unleaded gasoline averaged \$1.54 per gallon nationwide, according to AAA's

March Fuel Gauge Report released last Tuesday. The next highest price ever recorded by AAA was \$1.30 per gallon in April, 1981, though the figure is not adjusted for regional inflation.

The average price of regular gas is up 17.6 cents per gallon since Feb. 15. Prices have increased 57.3 cents per gallon - the biggest swing since AAA began tracking prices in the early 1970s.

AAA found gas prices were the most expensive in the West, where self-serve regular unleaded averaged \$1.61 per gallon, up more than 18 cents from last month. The least expensive prices were in the southeast, where self-serve averaged \$1.49, also up more

than 18 cents from last month.

The survey was conducted for the AAA by Oil Price Information Service, a New Jersey-based industry tracker.

The International Energy Agency reported last week the United States and the world's other richest countries have depleted their oil inventories to the lowest levels seen in four years.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is wor-

ried about recent price volatility, and analysts now expect the group to ease some of the production cuts made in 1998 and 1999 at OPEC's March 27 meeting in Vienna.

OPEC, an 11-nation consortium that fixes petroleum production levels, is set to meet in Vienna on March 27, when it will decide whether or not to boost production, which analysts say would drive down retail gasoline prices in

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Photo by Keat Bailey

Brian Hamilton took advantage of the warm weather to spend some quality time with his dog Sijin.

## Shuttle van service criticized

### Students say hours should be increased

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The shuttle van is an MSU public safety service for students on campus who occasionally need rides to their vehicles or dorm rooms.

However, many students are complaining that when they need a ride, the shuttle van is nowhere in sight.

Kathy Ritchie, a sophomore, needed a ride back to her dorm late one night after baby-sitting for a friend. Frightened to walk alone, Ritchie said she called public safety

to request a ride.

"Simply put, I was told 'no,'" Ritchie said.

Although the shuttle van is supposed to run until at least 1 a.m., Ritchie said she was told drivers were not available to give her a ride from the Chi Alpha House to Mignon Hall.

MSU provides the shuttle van service to transport students on campus, but many are forced to reach their destination by foot.

While students agree the shuttle van should not be considered a tax-

service, some are still confused as to why they have to wait 15-20 minutes for a ride.

Some students claim they have waited longer and eventually decided to walk.

Sophomore Michelle Hall said she has also experienced trouble with the shuttle van service.

"When you're out late studying or spending time with friends, you certainly don't want to walk back to your room alone in the dark," Hall

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## Student advocacy organization is founded

BY SUNNY KRAMER  
OPINION EDITOR

A new organization will soon emerge on MSU's campus — one its members say might spark controversy.

The name of the organization is the Student Liberation Front (SLF) and its founders say students and administration will soon learn their name as well as their purpose.

SLF co-founder Kevin Sanborn says SLF is an organization for students, by students and responsible to students, set up to be the voice of the students.

"Why begin SLF?" asks Sanborn. "Because there are problems on campus that have been ignored so long that they need a group like this to defuse the status quo."

SLF co-founder Rick Sargent says the main purpose behind SLF is to channel

awareness about issues concerning students at MSU.

"We want to be a dynamic group that speaks up about issues and then achieves results, without regard to its own political standing or fear of administrative reprisals," says Sanborn.

Sanborn and Sargent met in a history class last semester and discovered they shared the same views on many issues. They say they share a driving passion to become vocal and active in pursuing and responsible to students, set up to be the voice of the students.

"I'd rant and rave—to no one," says Sargent. "I finally decided to voice my opinions among people who'd listen."

The two say studying the

protest groups of the 1960s in a class led them to decide that if the hippie generation could protest and make change happen — they could too.

Sanborn and Sargent began working and planning immediately. They created a survey about issues of interest to MSU students that dealt with wide-ranging topics — from dormitory conditions to recreation activities.

With the encouragement and cooperation of professors such as Dr. John Hennen and

Dr. Yvonne Baldwin, they began distributing the surveys to classes in Rader Hall.

Copies of the survey were given to eight professors who agreed to administer the survey to students in their classes last November.

Sanborn and Sargent have tallied the results of the 350 surveys they've gotten back and have made graphs and charts of their findings.

Some questions on the survey concern

fiscal management at MSU — which they say is the number one concern of students at MSU, according to their survey results. They say the condition of dorms is number two and the lack of recreation is number three.

They are now working on flyers promoting their organization and planning for an open meeting.

"Grabbing the people together is the hard part," says Sargent. "Activism is easy."

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## New death penalty bills introduced to General Assembly

BY MATT ALLEY  
STAFF WRITER

Two new bills have been introduced to the Kentucky General Assembly. Both bills call for an immediate moratorium for the death penalty in the state.

House Bill 880 and Senate Bill 325 call for a five-year moratorium on executions and mandate the Kentucky Criminal Justice Council to study how the death penalty is used in the state.

During the moratorium, no prisoner would be executed until the study is complete.

The study will research costs and determine if the death penalty is humane punishment for perpetrators of violent crimes.

The results of the study are to be reported to the Interim Joint Judiciary Committee by July 1, 2001.

Under this proposed legislation, prosecutors may still seek death sentences during the five-year period, but no one may be executed until the moratorium expires.

Rep. Jim Wayne, sponsor of HB-880, said both bills are counter-measures to the House Judiciary Committee's lack of support for HB-514 and HB-311. Both bills called for the abolishment of the death penalty in Kentucky.

"Right now it looks as if this will be our only chance to bring humanity to the state, since abolishing the death penalty seems to be out of the question with the lawmakers," said Wayne.

Wayne said he did not see the need for the death penalty, since Kentucky has the option to sentence prisoners to life without possible parole.

Sen. Gerald Neal, SB-325, said he agrees with Wayne's comments and said the issue of the death penalty is troubling to most and needs to be addressed.

"HB-514 and HB-311 didn't receive a fair discussion, but I feel we need to take a closer look at this."

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## Professor works to help victims

### Marshall receives abuse prevention award

BY JAMIE RAINES  
STAFF WRITER

For 28 years Ted Marshall has worked with abused women and children to help them overcome the demons that have plagued their lives.

Marshall said his first job after college was in a maximum-security juvenile delinquency institution.

It was there he began his long journey toward helping the abused and the oppressed, he said.

"These were really little, good kids who had suffered a lot of trauma and abuse," said Marshall.

"I was 22 years old and very idealistic. I thought I could save them all," he said.

He said he has made helping abused children his life's work.

Now he has been honored for it. Present Child Abuse America, a philanthropic organization in Chicago, selected Marshall to be the recipient of the prestigious Donna J. Stone Award.

The award was named after the organization's founder.

Marshall went to New Orleans to receive the award.

"I accepted the award on behalf of the people all across the country who are helping abused children and families and all the volunteers and parents who need help," he said.

Although he has been recognized by a group of his peers, Marshall said he still sees himself as only a grain of sand on the beach.

Latomia Hestenberg, a former student of Marshall's, thinks differently.

"Ted is probably the most dedicated advocate for children and families that I know," Hestenberg said.

"It's Ted's life's work to make a difference in the lives of children who have experienced violence," she said.

Hestenberg, who has known Marshall since 1981, said she credits him with her choice of career.

"I was undecided about what I wanted to do with my life at that time. After seeing Ted's enthusiasm for social work and his belief that it is a field that can make a difference in people's lives, I was convinced it was for me," she said.

Hestenberg said Marshall's passion for his job and his genuine concern for children and families makes what he teaches in the classroom.

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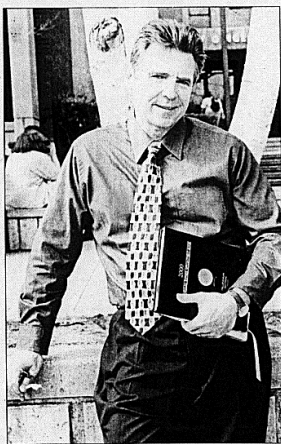


Photo by Keat Bailey

Ted Marshall

## PROFESSOR from front

room real.

"He wants students to understand how their classes relate to the field," she said.

In class Marshall defines an abuser as someone who may have been abused in the past.

"It can be a power and control issue," Marshall said.

"These are people with low impulse control and lack of empathy. They only see their victims as

sexual objects and not as human beings with feelings," he said.

Marshall is currently working with a group of women who were sexually abused at children.

"They have carried this pain and turmoil for all these years," said Marshall.

"Through this group we will help them heal and take more control over their lives," he said.

Marshall said the recovery of the

women is moving.

"It's not the pain and suffering that gets me."

When they hear and their strengths come out, I'll shed a tear over that," he said.

Marshall said his hope is to reach as many people as possible.

"People do not have to walk around wounded," he said. "I can play a small part in their recovery."

Marshall said the recovery of the

vice and have worked to make it better," Fraley said.

Fraley said SGA has not had any complaints about the shuttle this semester.

Public Safety Lieutenant Barbara Hayes said the shuttle van's hours of operation have been extended this semester.

On Sunday, the shuttle van runs from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. On Monday, Wednesday and Thursday the shuttle van is available from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m. and 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Tuesday.

The shuttle van runs from the residence halls to area 17, which is the student parking lot by the football field, Hayes said.

But Bryant believes the shuttle van should be available at earlier times in the winter when it gets darker.

"There is simply no excuse for cutting MSU students in charge. We contact public safety for one reason -

we don't want a person who feels like that to advise us."

Sargent says he feels the professors on campus are, as a whole, too conservative. He says he thinks they see problems in need of solutions, but won't do anything about it because they are too concerned with losing their jobs.

"We're prepared for all contingencies, whether we're punished, embraced, or ignored, for our actions," says Sanborn.

Sanborn says the SLP is currently discussing various issues such as funding for library resources, dormitory conditions, encouraging students to vote and textbook prices.

"Once we discuss the issues more within our organization and gauge members and students response, we'll know which issue to tackle first," says Sanborn.

Sargent warns that change may take awhile.

"We are a ground-up organization. We need to do our homework and then try to go through the line of command chain."

The SLP has recently formed a coalition with the SFT, Students for Feminist Thought.

"We hope to form other coalitions with organizations that feel the same way we do," says Sanborn.

"The SLP isn't being assimilated, but we also don't want to be an exclusive group."

One question the two had on their survey was "Would you join an activist

## PRICES from front

the United States. It was OPEC's decision last March to cut production which caused today's climbing gas prices.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration stated in a recent report that OPEC producers cut production of oil by 4.3 million barrels a day in early 1999 to prop up prices that plummeted to below \$11 a barrel.

Since then the amount of oil in the world has turned into shortages and the price has gone as high as \$34 a

barrel, receding to \$31.50 at its lowest point.

A representative from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet said until OPEC meets, gas prices in Kentucky will remain high and may experience some marginal inflation in less competitive markets.

Earlier this month, the Kentucky General Assembly voted down a proposed gas tax for the state sponsored by Gov. Paul Patton.

"It was a decision we felt was not necessary at this time, because gas prices are soaring and a tax would only hurt more than help,"

said Rep. Jim Hellinger, D-Louisville.

Hellinger said the bill could pass later after gas prices drop.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration's Motor Gasoline Price Survey recorded similar findings to AAA's. The EIA reported an average price of \$1.53 per gallon of gasoline, up more than 10 cents from Feb. 28 and up nearly 60 cents from 89.4 cents on March 8, 1999.

The EIA said in a report to the Associated Press that rising gas prices will continue throughout the summer.

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## VAN from front

said.

Hall said she was out until 1 a.m. studying with a friend at the Gilley Apartments located near the football field. Hall called the shuttle van service.

"Not only did I have to wait for about 15 minutes out in the cold, but once the shuttle was finally arrived, the driver was extremely rude to me. I felt like a child because I asked for a ride," Hall said.

Hall said she contacted public safety the next day and told the chief of police about the incident. Hall, thinking the shuttle van service was designed to safely transport students to and from places on campus, said she was told the shuttle van is a service only for those students needing a ride to or from their vehicles on campus.

"I was so surprised, I guess I was supposed to walk back to my dorm

alone in the middle of the night just because I had to study with a friend who lives on the other end of campus."

Sophomore Tasha Bryant said she was swimming with friends at the athletic complex last semester when public safety refused to give her a ride because it was only 7:30 p.m.

"My hair was wet, I was freezing and I didn't want to walk back alone. Although it was only 7:30 p.m., it was still dark outside," Bryant said.

Student Government Association President Brandon Fraley said SGA received numerous complaints about the shuttle van service.

Many complaints were the result of cutesy not being available to run the shuttle van, he said.

"Since we will sponsor the shuttle van, we have some say in the service and use force to get things done."

"The trouble is finding radicals," Fraley said. "We need help and participation."

SGA President Brandon Fraley says he thinks an organization like this may have a place at MSU.

"People should be open-minded at any higher level institution," says Fraley. "I think anyone students get together in a constructive, logical way, it's great."

Fraley suggests if students want to express concern they should try to get involved and find support with other organizations.

"One of my main objectives is to change SGA. Fresh ideas are always good," says Fraley. "I'd like to sit down and talk to them [Sanborn and Sargent]. If we worked together, maybe it would help matters."

Sanborn and Sargent say they want the SLP to be an independent organization because they say they don't want to have an advisor to confine them with university rules and guidelines.

"People probably think we can't do something like this, specifically the administrators," says Sargent.

"The administration knows what kind of problems students face," says Sanborn. "They know the library needs more funding and the students here are in general discontent. But they won't speak up. Professors say their hands are tied."

## ORGANIZATION from front

"I came from Indiana University," says Sanborn. "There I was part of different groups. I have protested against date rape, and when white supremacists came to town and passed out flyers, we rallied and protested when they gave speeches."

Sanborn says he is upset that students at MSU don't show more interest in issues. He says he is eager to speak out on issues that he has concern for but says it is not easy to do when you're the sole voice.

Sargent and Sanborn say if the SLP doesn't get off the ground right away then they intend to press on talking to students and trying to inform them why the organization is a good idea. They say MSU needs an organization on campus like the SLP and they are confident about gaining numbers.

"It is impossible not to have a following," says Sanborn. "There have to be others like us out there. We both are confident we're not the only ones who care."

Both Sargent and Sanborn say it is obvious other student organizations back their passion.

Sargent says SGA is a flawed system that has not been working for the students.

Sanborn agrees.

"SGA is a dead end," says Sanborn. "We wish for SLP to be the students' voice."

Sargent says SGA must get more

## BILLS from front

issue of capital punishment and a five year moratorium would allow proper studies to be done," said Neal.

Neal said he hopes if the moratorium bills pass, amendments will be added to propose investigation into probable innocence cases of Kentucky death row inmates.

Both Neal and Wayne urge citizens to voice their opinions about the proposed bills to the General Assembly.

The General Assembly will be in session for the remainder of March.

group on campus?" Sargent says their results show that 75 percent of students who completed the survey said "yes."

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## EDITORIALS

### OPEC holding U.S. hostage at gas pump

United States citizens have witnessed a dramatic increase in gasoline prices in recent weeks and according to a report released by the Energy Department on Monday, gas prices are expected to continue to climb through the summer.

This week the pump price for unleaded gasoline increased for the tenth consecutive week reaching a new record of \$1.529 a gallon, 52 cents higher than this time last year, based on the department's weekly survey of 800 service stations.

According to the Energy Department, increased oil supplies from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) won't hit the U.S. market in time to evade the predicted \$1.80 a gallon during the peak of summer driving season.

These prices may leave the American public feeling not only penniless but at a loss for hope. After all, the consumer's hands are tied - or are they?

Various internet organizations that have formed to keep consumers aware of sky-rocketing gasoline prices seem to think they may have found the solution in the form of a boycott.

An email forward that is circulating on this campus reinforces that idea.

The email message calls the boycott the "gas-out," and says it is scheduled for March 24, 25 and 26. The message urges people to avoid purchasing gasoline on those days in the hopes of sending a message to the American government and OPEC that citizens consider gas prices a problem.

But do enough people know about this boycott to make a difference? Probably not.

So U.S. citizens must do more than boycott, but the question now is what?

If people are truly fed up with wallet-bleeding gas prices they should start questioning our esteemed elected officials and demand answers and results.

Think on this. The United States has its own reserves that can be used instead of waiting for increased production from Middle East countries.

Government officials should start putting our tax dollars to work to support our country and its citizens by producing gasoline from oil pumped from our own soil instead of filling the purses of OPEC's rich oil barons who continue to hold the U.S. hostage.

E.M.

## Notable Quotes

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—Humphrey Bogart, Actor in "Deadline—USA", 1952

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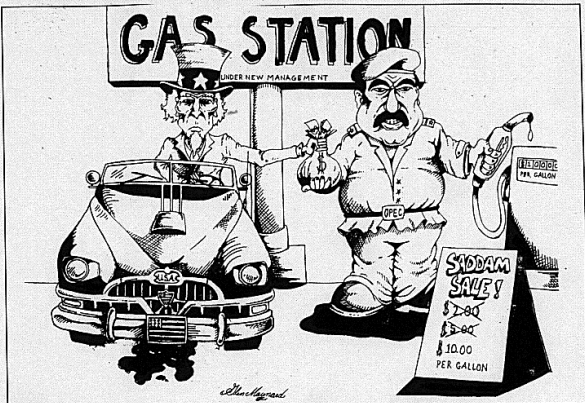
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## The Sunny Edition First grade shooting points to gun problem



BY SUNNY KRAMER  
OPINION EDITOR

The Feb. 29 shooting of a six-year-old Michigan girl by a classmate has shocked

our nation.

When we were in elementary school, it's not likely many of us worried that our playmates might bring guns to school and kill us in the classroom.

Today's children are cursed by bloody nightmares about what

might happen to them when they leave home for school in the mornings.

This incident is a distress signal to a nation where some people still insist there is no gun problem.

News stories reported the little girl, Kayla, and her six-year-old killer had quarreled in the schoolyard on a Monday. On Tuesday, he brought his father's .32 caliber pistol to school and shot Kayla in the chest. Afterwards, he ran to the bathroom and hid.

The young boy may not understand what he did, but who

do we blame? And what should we do now? What direction do we take to try and prevent this sort of devastating tragedy from happening to other elementary school children?

In light of other recent youth shootings, it's unrealistic to believe something like this is not going to happen again.

According to the U.S. Department of Education, during the 1996-97 school year, 443 elementary school students were expelled for bringing firearms to school. In 1997-98, guns accounted for 341 grade-school expulsions.

Following the Columbine tragedy, a lot of schools implemented stricter safety standards and procedures. Metal detectors began popping up at school entrances and surveillance cameras were set up in hallways.

Measures like these are all well and good, but they probably only increase the fears and nightmares of children too young to understand the violence perpetrated by guns.

As long as our society and our culture continue to be saturated with guns and gun mentality, our children will always be in danger and continue to live in fear.

## Commentary

### Spandex pants an unsolved MSU mystery

BY BETH CRACE  
MANAGING EDITOR

What is about college that makes someone want to put on a pair of the lightest, blackest nylon/spandex pants they can find, pair the pants with a belly shirt and platform shoes, and then go out to a fraternity bar with mud all over the floor? After all the time I have spent at Morehead, this mystery still escapes me.

Do these girls think they are going to meet the man of their dreams at a fraternity house? Unfortunately, I fear they do. Perhaps it is more accurate to say I hope they do. Otherwise, those pants have all been in vain. The sad thing is it's the spandex girls who pollute the dating scene for everyone else.

I have seen many of my friends

trampled by the queens of the treadmill many times. There they'll be entranced in some nice conversation with their current crush and then all of a sudden—swoosh! The eagle has landed. The crush and The Pants are out on the dance floor engaging in moves I didn't even know existed.

The next thing you know they're in the corner making out, then the car riding home together, and then finally the dorm room. All the while, my friend and, well, sometimes I will be completely devastated.

The next thing you know they hate The Pants. You want to kill The Pants. Your worst enemy is The Pants. Then The Pants calls you one night telling you to back off because So and So is her man. Then they talk to So and So whereupon you deliver this little pearl of wisdom and he

laughs in your face. Then he turns around and laughs in The Pants face. The only problem is by the time you make it to this point So and So is really kind of disgusted and more than a little afraid of the both of you and decides to sever the ties all the way around.

Making matters worse, So and So's already considerable ego has now reached an all-time high. He's the mad "People can't get enough of So and So." The next thing you know he's juggling relationships with the captain of the cheerleading squad, a volleyball player, and the president of CM Omega.

Yes, on the other hand, have been making a lot of late night trips to McDonalds and your chemistry lab partner. Kirby, is starting to look pretty damn good. There just isn't any

justice in the world.

So there you are. You have no So and So, you've discovered a new-found enemy in The Pants, and your own pants are no longer fitting as well as they used to. You're life is a mess and you only have spandex and nylon to blame. O, if it weren't for World War I!

The irony to all this is that eventually gravity (and Dunkin' Doughnuts) gets to everyone. So, the Queens of Pants "O might be better off in sweat pants by the end of the year. It's all just a matter of time and carbos/drugs.

So, until the day comes when all the pants girls become Jenny Craig girls, keep your chins up ladies and avoid spandex at all costs!

## CAMPUS COMMENT

### How are rising gas prices affecting you?



Blair Benton  
Freshman  
University Studies  
"When I run so much with my car I don't have any money left over for alcohol."



Morgan McNally  
Freshman  
Biology  
"I spend more money on gas, which forces me to put it on my gas card which is supposed to be only for emergencies."



Drew Macula  
Senior  
Theatre Art  
"What affects me the most is supposedly our nation has enough gas in the reserves to cover this, but this problem continues."



Steve Jacobs  
Sophomore  
Business Administration  
"Along with tuition it is draining my bank account severely."



Michael Kunnon  
Junior  
CIS  
"It doesn't matter because my parents pay for it anyway."



# CAMPUS LIFE

## New facility houses swine on University Farm

By DEBRA PETKUS-PERRY  
NEWS EDITOR

Hogs at the University Farm have a new home. Some sows are already housed in the new \$190,000 digs.

MSU University Farm Manager Eddie Lundergan, said other sows that are now rearing young will be moved soon to the climatized building.

The swine facility was built adjacent to the old building on MSU's 350-plus acre farm located off Cinnamon Road.

"We have 60 sows that farrow (give birth) two times a year," Lundergan said. MSU pigs have an average of 10-12 piglets. "You get a lot of pigs out of them," he said.

Lundergan said MSU's Agriculture and Animal Science Department raises a commercial herd that includes Yorkshire, Hampshire, and Duroc breeds.

In the era when the family farm is disappearing and being replaced by corporate farms, the swine facility offers agriculture students and vet-tech students a well-rounded experience to take to farm corporations.

Vet-tech students learn such procedures as castrating swine and repairing ruptures and agriculture students get experience clipping the needle teeth (sharp incisors) of

new-born piglets to prevent them from cutting a sow's teats as they nurse. They also dock the tails of the swine.

"Pigs are cannibalistic," Lundergan said, explaining a pig would chew its tail off if it could.

While the 60 sows and their piglets may live in the confined area of a pig pen, it's not so cramped.

**"The whole purpose is to provide hands-on experience, to give these kids experience to work in swine industry."**

—Eddie Lundergan, MSU Farm manager

what smelly, it's far from dirty. Lundergan said he emphasizes cleanliness and prevention to ward off disease outbreaks.

After the piglets nurse for four weeks and are weaned, Lundergan has students pressure wash and disinfect the pens before a new round is farrowed.

"I have the students wash the floor until they'd be willing to eat mashed potatoes from it," he said. Preventive measures, Lundergan said, are "dollarwise."

Once the piglets are weaned from their mother, most are sold as

feeder pigs weighing about 50 pounds, and sell for \$35. Some are kept back to become sows and raise litters for about four years, Lundergan said.

Pigs are inquisitive and interesting, Lundergan said. But they can be stressed if they aren't housed in the proper conditions. The new facility boasts a state-of-the-art heating and cooling system.

In the hot blazing summer, Lundergan said sows are kept at 60 degrees, because they don't have sweat glands. In the winter, those who have farrowed and are nursing young are kept at 70-75 degrees.

Without climate control, one way farmers try to keep their pigs from stress is to increase feed. But in a pen with 10 piglets and a mom, it's hard to make sure everyone gets their share, Lundergan said. The new facility offers automated feed rations that can be monitored and easily increased for those who need it.

While the sows were previously bred naturally by four boars on the property, the farm will work further in genetic enhancement, thanks to a new farm laboratory, Lundergan said. The laboratory and semen-collecting room were included so that students can be trained in artificial insemination.

"The whole purpose is to pro-

vide hands on experience," said Lundergan. "To give these kids experience to work in the swine industry."

Dr. Phil Prater, MSU associate professor and veterinarian, said the swine industry is almost a paradox, because while the average small farms have a difficult time of it, the large corporations are booming.

"The bigger outfits have reproductive physiologists, nutritionists, and vets hired as consultants," said Prater.

The new MSU swine facility is a big improvement for the Ag stu-

dents, Prater said. "It's a tremendous time to have your animal science degree."

Prater said with their varied backgrounds of raising swine and the other livestock, including cattle, sheep and goats, graduates can get jobs that pay well and have all the benefits to go with it.

"The family farmer doesn't usually have a 401k, health insurance or a benefits package," Prater said, adding, MSU grads go to jobs with all the perks.

Bobby Pease is an Ag student from Mason County who feels right

at home on the farm.

His vacation was an easy choice, he said.

"I really liked the Future Farmers of America," the freshman said. Pease works at a local gas station, and also at the farm's horse barn and feeds the pigs.

Pease said he knows his education will enable him to someday work on a farm of his own, or to go to a corporate farm. For now, he plans on learning all he can about the swine facility, as he works on a degree in agriculture education.

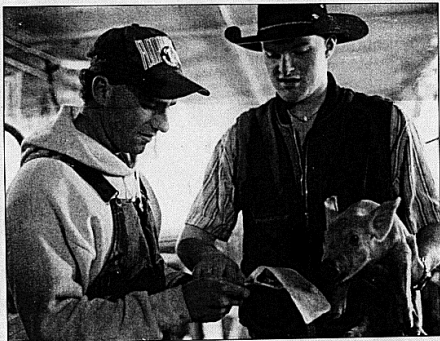


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MSU staff member Michael Rigdon, left, and student Breck Caldwell, right, check and record the ear tag number of a piglet born at the University Farm.

## Notable writer to speak on body image, health

By EMILY BURTON  
STAFF WRITER

On March 22, noted author and lecturer, Dr. Susan Bordo will speak at 7 p.m., in the Commonwealth Room of ADUC.

Bordo lectures on subjects ranging from eating disorders to masculinity and the male body.

Bordo's lecture entitled *Our Bodies, Ourselves in the Empire of Injustice* is being given in recognition of Women's History Month.

Bordo is a professor of English and Women's Studies at the University of Kentucky, where she is the Otis A. Singletary chair in English. She was formerly the Otis A. Singletary chair in the department of Philosophy, where she also worked as a professor.

Bordo is the author of several books, her most recent is entitled *The Male Body: A New Look at Men in Public and Private*. This book has been featured recently in *Mademoiselle*, *Elle*, *Vanity Fair* and *The New York Times Magazine*.

She is the author of *The Flight to Objectivity, Cartesianism and Culture*, and editor of several journals.

Bordo also has many awards and accomplishments to her credit. She was the Rockefeller chair in residence at Duke University before

coming to UK. She is a member of the American Council of Learned Societies Fellowship and the winner of the Association for Women in Psychology Distinguished Publication Award for her most recent book, *Unbearable Weight*.

The book was a University of California Press best seller and a



Dr. Susan Bordo

New York Times Notable Book of the Year in 1993.

Bordo's lecture is sponsored by Chi Omega Fraternity.

Mary Jo Netherton, French Professor, and advisor to Chi Omega for 30 years, said she has

been trying to get Bordo to lecture at MSU since 1995, but Bordo has always had previous commitments.

Netherton was inspired to invite Bordo after reading Bordo's book, *Unbearable Weight*.

"I really liked it. I was very excited about discovering her as an author," she said.

Netherton also said Bordo's lecture will be a reflection of American society.

Bordo will discuss the damage people do to themselves while trying to make themselves look better.

Netherton said Bordo will discuss the difficult choice people make everyday between good looks, and good health.

Chi Omega president Autumn Wright said Bordo was chosen because *Eating Disorders Prevention* is the chapter's philanthropy.

"It's a relevant problem among people of all ages; men and women," said Wright.

Wright said the members of Chi Omega hope Bordo's lecture will educate the public about the seriousness of eating disorders.

"There's so many people on campus who suffer from eating disorders. It's a really big problem among college students," said Wright.



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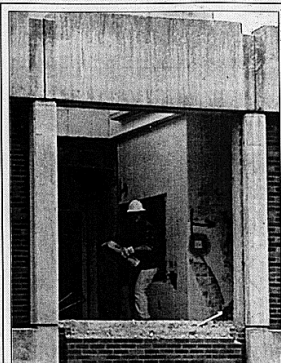


Photo by Carla McCloskey

A construction worker throws out a piece of concrete from a tornado wall of Breckinridge Hall yesterday as part of the building's ongoing renovation.

# Women's studies minor can enhance resumes, personal lives

BY ALLISON FORMAN  
STAFF WRITER

"It tells me little things that do not either vex or weary me. The quarrels of popes or kings, with wars and pestilences, in every page; the men all good for nothing, and hardly any woman at all."

So said Jane Austen in 1818 on women and their warfare from history.

Only recently has women's studies begun to emerge as a program of study on college campuses. The first program in the United States began in 1970 at San Diego State University.

MSU began offering a minor in interdisciplinary women's studies in 1991.

Dr. Susan Eacker, coordinator of the women's studies program at MSU, says a minor in women's studies can enhance any major.

Students are only required to take two classes, an introductory and a capstone course. They also

take 15 elective classes, many of which are crosslisted in fields such as history, sociology, social work, government, human sciences and English.

Eacker says most students take courses which enhance their major.

"The women's studies minor gives students an area of specialization," Eacker says.

Having a woman's studies minor can also be a good career choice.

MSU student Amy Kelly's minor in women's studies earned her an internship with a Kentucky legislator in Frankfort.

Jennifer Riley, also a women's studies minor, is working with a judge in a surrounding county. She was hired because so many court cases deal with women's issues, such as domestic violence, says Eacker.

Women's studies does more than enhance students' resumes. It also raises awareness of women's

issues and enhances your personal life, Eacker says.

Kelly and Riley recently founded the Student Association for Feminist Thought, an organization whose member's hope to raise students' consciousness of women's issues.

There are currently eleven women's studies minors at MSU. One of the minors is a male.

Eacker says she stresses women's studies is really gender studies.

"You can't talk about women without talking about men," Eacker says.

There are currently eleven faculty members affiliated with the women's studies program at MSU. They teach in a number of fields, from English to health to criminology. Three of the faculty members are males.

Sociology professor Bill Cole taught the Human Experience in Sex and Gender last semester,

which crosslists as a women's studies course.

Interested in women's studies since he was an undergraduate, Cole says he was happy to teach the course. He says it was a little awkward for him to teach a women's studies course, but that after a few weeks he got over it.

Today, nearly 200 years after Jane Austen spoke out on women's invisibility throughout history, there are more than 600 women's studies programs in universities and colleges across the nation.

"All social change begins with a radical idea vindicated by time," Eacker says.

Things which once seemed radical, such as Austen's idea that women deserve a place in history, would now seem radical not to have.

"We've come a long way, baby, but we still got a long way to go," Eacker says.

## RA to work with Governor's scholars



Sonia Stave

BY EMILY BURTON  
STAFF WRITER  
Sonia Stave, Resident Advisor of the fourth floor of Butler Hall,

devotes herself to her job. She always keeps her door open, literally, just in case someone needs to talk, and she's always willing to do small things such as lending a hair clip to a resident on her floor who is preparing for an evening out.

"She's a great RA. You can talk to her and tell her about your problems. She cares about us as people," says Freshman Erin Dewitt who lives on Stave's floor says.

"She's the best RA in the world," says Sasha Pluton, a freshman.

In fact, Stave is so dedicated to her job she has earned a very prestigious position.

Stave recently became the first MSU student accepted as an RA for the Governor's Scholars Program.

"It's a very select program. I'm proud they would want me to have anything to do with these children,"

says Stave, an elementary education major.

"I look forward to the opportunity to build community (at GSP) as I have done on this floor," she says.

The GSP is a five-week-long event that expands the horizons of current and incoming college students and empowers the intellectual talent of Kentucky's brightest high school juniors.

Held at Northern Kentucky University and Central College, the programs allow students to live in a dormitory-style setting.

Each student must choose one course they would like to study extensively. Then they are placed in another course completely opposite of the one they chose.

Students are also required to attend a weekly one and a half hour seminar headed by their RA. The seminars will cover different topics.

The RA's role is to designate the topic and moderate the discussions.

Not only will Stave be responsible for heading these discussion groups, she will act as a counselor, mentor and parental figure.

Dennis McKay, coordinator of the RA program for GSP, says Stave was chosen for GSP because of her active involvement on campus and her kindness and generosity.

"I couldn't imagine them not hiring her, she's one of our outstanding individuals," McKay says.

Stave says she found out about the GSP program from McKay at a Resident Advisory meeting.

"I thought, 'I might as well (apply),' she says.

To apply she submitted an application with two essays, an official transcript and two letters of recommendation to the GSP program.

## Learning lab searching for student tutors

The Learning Lab is looking for tutors for summer and next fall. The lab employees are requesting advisor referrals. Students can send their applications to Allie Young 208 or advisors can send their students' names to Alvin Madden-Grider and he will mail them applications.

Learning Lab tutors offer supplemental help in academic areas

such as biology, business, computers, English as a second language, foreign languages, mathematics, physical sciences, social studies and writing. Learning Lab tutors are successful and energetic students. They help other students in a wide range of study skills from many courses.

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GRE, LSAT, GMAT and MCAT.

To be considered for a tutoring position, a student needs to have completed at least one semester with an overall GPA of at least 3.0, grades A or B in the courses to be tutored, two faculty recommendations,

an interview with the Learning Specialists and excellent interpersonal communication skills.

If interested in a Learning Lab position contact Madden-Grider at 783-5199 or by e-mail at amadden.

## MSU fraternity supports spring blood drive

BY SONIA MARSHALL  
STAFF WRITER

Merchard State University will be hosting its Spring Blood Drive on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 28 and 29 at the Button Drill Hall, from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. both days.

Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity is sponsoring a Marrow Donor Registration Drive during this spring's blood drive in conjunction with the Central Kentucky Blood Center.

Bone marrow donations support marrow transplantation, a procedure used to combat leukemia and other related cancer and immune system disorders and is often a patient's last chance for survival.

Gifts will be given out to blood

donors, whether or not they decide to sign up for the marrow donation program.

A drawing for a free MSU parking pass will also be held during the blood drive.

Anyone wanting more information about the Spring Blood Drive and Bone Marrow donations may contact the CKBC at 1-800-775-2522. Members of Sigma Phi Epsilon can also provide information about the upcoming event.

## Support group provides healing after family loss

The Pregnancy and Infant Loss Parent Support Group is designed to serve those whose lives have been affected by tragic death of a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth or newborn death.

The main purpose of the group is to provide sensitive support toward parents, family and friends at the time of or following the death of the baby. The support group strives to provide emotional and spiritual healing. It also provides information, education and resources regarding the rights of bereaved parents and siblings.

The group is not a therapy group. Reservations are not necessary and there is no fee.

The group is available to you no matter where you are in your grief and no matter how long it has been since your loss.

You may choose to talk or listen. No one is asked to share until they are ready. Generally, there is a brief presentation but discussion is not limited to the topic.

There is a Prenatal Loss Counselor at each meeting. For more information call Darinda Ramey-Mariner at 784-3003.

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## CAMPUS EVENTS

MSU BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING: Wednesday, March 22, Riggle Room, Time Table, call 783-2030 for additional information

PRESIDENT EAGLE'S FORUM: Wednesday, March 22, 5 p.m., Riggle Room, ADUC

LECTURE: "Our Bodies, Ourselves in the Empire of Images," presentation by Dr. Susan Bordo, Professor of English and Women's Studies at the University of Kentucky, Wednesday, March 22, 7 p.m., Commonwealth Room, ADUC, sponsored by Chi Omega Sorority

PREVIEW DAY: Saturday, March 25, Crager Room, ADUC, 9 a.m., call 783-2000 or (800) 585-2470 for additional information

SYMPOSIUM: Wilma E. Grote Symposium: Coming of Age: Women in the New Millennium, Sunday, March 26 through Tuesday, March 28, Crager Room, ADUC, 2 p.m., change, call 783-2015 for additional information

BLOOD DRIVE: Wednesday, March 29, by Central Kentucky Blood Drive Center, Button Drill Room, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD: The MSU Service Committee will be accepting nominations for one faculty member and one staff member with outstanding service. Anyone can nominate, and nominations will be anonymous. Nominations should include name, address, telephone number of nominee, along with a one-page letter detailing why nominee meets criteria. For specific nomination information, contact Joe Planch at 783-2066. The winners will be recognized during the University's Honors Convocation.

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# ARTS

## Trombone instructor aims to be 'all he can be'



Barry Hearn

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### Twenty-eight-year-old professor enlists in Army

BY JAMIE KAINES  
STAFF WRITER

The United States Army was looking for a few good men and they found one here at Morehead State University.

Instructor of Music for Trombone Barry Hearn, has enlisted and will attend boot camp May 19. But Hearn, 28, will not be typical soldier.

"He's older than the average soldier," said Lt. Colonel James Burton. "The average soldier nationally is around 21."

The reasons Hearn decided to enlist at this stage in his life are both financial and personal.

"My wife, Laura, lives in Arlington, Va. A year ago, I was offered a visiting professorship here so we were split up almost as soon as we were married. I've been looking for a way to end up in the DC area ever

since," Hearn said.

He said he credits his wife for being an inspiration to him.

"I couldn't have asked for a better spouse," Hearn said. "She trusts

faculty the army is a tremendous option," said Sgt. Gene Rabideau, Army recruiter for the Morehead area.

"The salaries are very competi-

camaraderie of being on the first team. We give them discipline, experience, and we make them more marketable."

Hearn said his goal in the Army is just to be a great musician.

"I've got nothing to prove being there," he said. "I just want to fit in."

While Hearn understands he is not 18 anymore, he's confident he is mentally and physically prepared for the challenge.

"I'm interested in seeing if I can make it," he said. "I know if I prepare well, I will do fine."

Hearn will be starting out as a Staff Sgt.

"I hope to make a career out of the army," he said.

Hearn doesn't worry about the pressure.

"Life after basic training will be with my wife, so it's a small price to pay."

"I'm interested in seeing if I can make it. I know if I prepare well, I will do fine."

—Barry Hearn, instructor of music for trombone

me in our long distance relationship and she spurs me on when things are not going well."

Burton said financially Hearn has been taken care of.

"For the average person money is the issue," said Burton. "We take care of college loans and also give a bonus to those who qualify."

For anyone with a financial dif-

ference and we have a loan repayment program as well as an enlistment bonus," he said.

Rabideau also said the army is not for everyone.

"A lot of young people aren't ready for college right out of high school," he said. "Drop outs are offered an opportunity to train in over 200 job skills and they get the

## Peter Pan will soar into Button Auditorium

Morehead State University Theatre is proud to present Peter Pan in Button Auditorium, March 30, 31 at 8 p.m. and April 1 at 8 p.m. There will also be a special matinee performance on Friday, March 31 at 11 a.m.

The musical is based upon the play written by James M. Barrie with music by Mark Charlap. The lyrics are written by Carolyn Leigh. Additional music is by Jule Styne and additional lyrics are by Betty Comden and Adolph Green. The play is directed by MSU Theatre Technical Director Dr. William J. Layne. Christina Swanson (Ashland graduate student) is the production stage manager. The musical supervisor is MSU Professor of Music

Greg Detweiler: MSU Theatre Choreographic Advisor Sylvia Layne is the choreographer; Kristopher Cade (Lomansville junior) is the scenic designer; the properties designer is Emily B. Moses (Cynthiana senior); the costumes are designed by Elizabeth Payne (South Point, Ohio, senior); the lighting designer is MSU Theatre Associate Technical Director Dr. Mark E. Mallett; and the sound designer is Matt Morpew (Lexington junior).

Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$2 for children and senior citizens and MSU students get in free with a valid I.D. For more information please call (606) 783-2170.

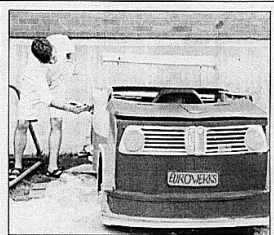


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Gary Miller adds the finishing touches to his 1975 BMW. His cardboard creation is a project for the 3D art foundations class.

### ARTS EVENTS

- March 23 Faculty/Guest Recital, Barry Hearn, David Herring, trombones; Michelle Kaminski, trumpet. Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
- March 26 Faculty Recital, Jay Flippin, key boards. Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
- March 28 NSU Jazz Ensemble I, Gordon Towell, director. Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.
- March 30 Jazz Ensemble II, Gordon Towell, director. Duncan Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

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Studymaster

# Powerful hitting helps Eagles split two series

## Senior Jason Kennedy named first OVC Player of the Week for the 2000 season

BY JENNIFER BROWN  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Morehead State baseball team added two wins and two losses to their record during spring break last week, splitting a series with Wright State University and Western Michigan University.

On March 12, the Eagles hosted a doubleheader against Wright State University.

In the opener, Wright State used powerful pitching to roll over Morehead State 5-4. Left-hander Chris Bedford pitched six innings for the Raiders, striking out seven and giving up six hits.

Eagle junior catcher Thad Kingsolver was 2-3 at the plate with two RBI and junior second baseman Jimmy Malas was 1-3 with one double and two RBI. Junior Shawn Hall (1-2) picked up the loss on the mound for the Eagles.

In the nightcap, the Eagles combined for 12 hits to ease over Wright State for the 8-2 victory.

The Raiders had the 2-0 advantage going into the bottom of the third inning, but sophomore first baseman Will Renaker put the Eagles on the board when he hit

into a fielder's choice to score Mains.

Senior center fielder Cameron Langham and senior left fielder Jason Kennedy each homered in the bottom of the sixth to help give the Eagles the victory.

Senior shortstop Sam Hoehner was 3-4 at the plate with one stolen base, Mains was 3-3 with two RBI, and senior designated hitter Pat Wooton was 2-4 with two RBI.

Sophomore Eddie Bushelman picked up the win on the mound for MSU, while freshman Matt Soale earned the save.

The Eagles split a doubleheader with Western Michigan University this past Saturday at Allen Field. The Broncos won the opener 8-3 with the help of left-hander Angelo Palazzetti's powerful pitching.

Palazzetti went the distance, allowing just seven hits while fanning four and walking two.

Western Michigan scored three runs in the first inning, but Morehead answered with two of its own in its half of the inning.

The Eagles would go on to score one more run in the sixth inning on senior designated hitter R.J. Hayes'



Eagle senior center fielder Cameron Langham looks for the pitch during MSU's second game of a doubleheader against Wright State University on March 12. Langham had a home run in the bottom of the sixth inning to help give the Eagles the 8-2 victory.

Photo by Jennifer Brown

solo homer.

Hoehner was 3-4 at the plate with one double, Hayes was 1-3 with a solo homer, and Renaker and Kingsolver were both 1-3.

Hayes picked up the loss on the mound for the Eagles.

"They (WNU) were a very good team," said MSU Head Coach John Jarrigan. "Their left-hander was really good and he overmatched us. We knew what to expect when we saw him warming up."

In the nightcap, the Eagles defeated the Broncos 6-5 in eight innings.

WMU scored five runs in the third inning, but MSU answered with five of its own in the bottom half of the inning.

Hoehner blasted a two-run homer, and freshman right fielder Cary Pace nailed a shot over the fence to score three runs to tie the game 5-5.

Hoehner got the game winning hit with his bases-loaded single in the bottom of the eighth.

Hoehner finished the game 2-4 at the plate with a homer and three RBI. Wooton was 2-4 with one double, Pace was 1-2 with a homer

and three RBI, and Kennedy and Renaker each was 1-3 at the plate.

Bushelman (4-1) earned the win on the mound.

"I thought we played great," said Coach Jarrigan. "I was proud that we did not back down after being behind 5-0."

On another positive note, Kennedy was named the first OVC Player of the Week for the 2000 season. Kennedy extended his hitting streak to 23 games with hits in both ends of the doubleheader against Western Michigan.

"It's awesome," said Coach Jarrigan. "I'm really happy for Jason. He takes batting practice by himself on our day off and it has really paid off. He has done really well."

The Eagles host Thomas Moore on Tuesday at 6 p.m. They will also host a doubleheader with Youngstown State University on Thursday. They will take the road on Saturday to face Tennessee Tech, their first OVC opponent of the season, in a doubleheader and one game on Sunday.

# Track teams struggle with injured runners

BY ANDREW BURFORD  
STAFF WRITER

The track team limped into their spring break with an injured depleted squad at the Marshall University Early Bird Invitational. Those that were able to compete did have a good showing despite brutal weather conditions.

The men's team were lead by a first place showing from Paul Gilvin in the 5,000 meters. Gilvin ran a time of 15:10 to outdistance the field.

"It was a day that times didn't matter," said Gilvin. "I was pleased with my effort, especially in the last mile of the race."

Other first place finishers included J.C. Chirgwin in the 3,000 meters steeple chase and Ryan Potter in the 100 meter dash.

"I wasn't happy with my time but it was nice to get a win under my belt," said Potter. "The weather made it not a good day for fast times."

Andrew Burford finished second in the 5,000 meters narrowly losing by a second. Billy McCarthy was also able to take home a second place showing in the javelin.

Other top MSU finishers included Antoine Mitchell in the 200 and 400 meters, Jeff Moretti in the 110 meter hurdles and the 400 meter hurdles, Joe Baxter in the shot put, and Tate Marchinkowski in the discus.

"I was very happy with the men's performances for being the first meet of the outdoor season," said Head Coach Dan Lindsey. "I like to say the weather that we had

on that day does not make it easy on the athletes or the coaches."

As for the women they were equally successful. Karen Lutes continued her winning ways by placing first in the 5,000 meters. Teammate Anna Ryan placed second.

"I was pleased with my race," said Lutes. "It was nice to get an outdoor race in before spring break."

Susie Anderson also ran a brilliant race winning the 1,500 meters in 4:49.

"Susie ran a really smart race," said Lindsey. "She sat on her opponents and made her move at the right time."

The other top finisher on the women's side was Heather Lueke. Lueke, in her first ever college outdoor race, placed third in the 800 meters.

On the injury report, standout Tony Teats has a stress fracture in his left leg and his season is in doubt.

"I feel bad for this to happen to Tony in his senior year," said

Assistant Coach Dave Letendre. "Tony's presence will be missed. He is a hard worker and leads by example. Others will have to pick up the slack with the void of Tony."

Teats' career at Morehead included three all-conference performances in cross-country. Included in this was a second place showing at the 1997 Ohio Valley Conference championships. As for the track, he leaves with four all-conferences medals. Highlighting this are victories in the 1998 indoor OVC championships in the 5,000

meters and the outdoor champion in the 10,000 meters. Teats also has the school record in the 10,000 meters (30:51).

Other men injured are freshmen Matt Bryant and Brandon Hall, and senior Blake Price.

The women were missing 5,000 meter runners Cara Goetz and Mandy Nixdorf as well as 1,500 meters runners Lori Martin and Becca Steacy.

The Eagles will be in action again this Saturday at Cedarville College.

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# Lady Eagles finish Florida tournament 5-5

BY DUSTIN WALLER  
STAFF WRITER

The Morehead State softball team has been busy the past two weeks, playing four games against rivals Kentucky and Marshall before traveling to Ocala, Florida for ten contests over spring break.

The Lady Eagles began their two-week stint with a trip to Lexington on March 8 for a doubleheader against the Kentucky Lady Cats.

In the opening matchup, UK jumped up on MSU 3-0 in the second inning, eventually winning 5-0.

Morehead was held to only one hit in the game, which came from second baseman Nikki Brock. MSU allowed 10 hits by the Wildcats.

In the second contest of the doubleheader, Kentucky again allowed only one hit by the Lady Eagles and shut out Morehead State, 8-0. Brock again posted the only hit, going 1-2 in the contest.

MSU was in action one day later against rival Marshall at the University Softball Field. The

Lady Eagles fared better in this doubleheader, winning 1-0 and 3-2 over the Thundering Herd.

In the first contest, pitcher Nikki Scott allowed only three hits and held the Herd scoreless. First baseman Nola Queen went 2-3 with one RBI as MSU scored its only run in the bottom of the sixth inning to gain the victory.

The second game was even closer, as it took two extra innings for the Lady Eagles to prevail, 3-2.

Right fielder Dana Fohl went 3-5 in the contest. Queen had a home run, the first of the season for MSU, in the win.

The two victories improved Morehead's record to 4-6 on the season and gave them their first ever sweep of Marshall.

During spring break, the Lady Eagles traveled to Florida to compete in the Rebel Spring Games, participating in ten contests in six days.

In their first game of the week, MSU took Marist to extra innings before falling, 5-2.

The Lady Eagles tied the contest in the bottom of the seventh inning, sending it into the extra session. However, Marist scored four runs in the top of the eighth inning to pull away with the victory.

Fohl went 2-4 and pitcher Pam Crawford was 2-3 in the game.

Morehead State then beat Rider 2-1. The Lady Eagles were ahead 2-0 going into the bottom of the last inning and held off the Lady Broncos.

Fohl went 2-4 in the game, while Queen and shortstop Joni Robinson both went 1-4 and each had one RBI.

In their third game of the break, Manhattan did not allow any hits by the Lady Eagles, winning 3-1.

Even with no hits, MSU had a chance in the contest thanks to four Lady Jasper errors. Morehead tied the game 1-1 in the top of the sixth inning, but allowed Manhattan to score two runs in the bottom of the inning to take control of the game.

The next two contests were not much better for the Lady Eagles as

they lost to Wisconsin-Green Bay, 15-0, and Fairfield, 10-0.

Both the Lady Phoenix and the Lady Stags held MSU to only two hits in their respective victories.

In the game against Green Bay, center fielder Stephanie Swanger went 1-2 and pitcher Crawford was 1-1.

The 15 runs allowed by Morehead was the most that they have surrendered since 1996.

In the Fairfield contest, Queen and Robinson each went 1-2.

MSU then lost its fourth consecutive game of the week against Stephen F. Austin, 8-1.

The Lady Lumberjacks only out-hit Morehead seven times to seven, but six MSU errors and seven players left on base led to the SFA victory.

Left fielder Heather Hughes had a big game for the Lady Eagles, going 2-3 at the plate. Five other MSU players had one hit each.

Morehead State's fortunes changed after the Stephen F. Austin game, as the Lady Eagles won four

in a row to close out the week.

MSU began their win streak with a victory over Maine, 4-1.

Fohl went 1-3 in the game, including a home run and two RBIs. Swanger went 2-4 at the plate and right fielder Shannon Bender was 2-2.

In the next game, Morehead beat Quinnipiac, 1-0.

The Lady Eagles scored the lone run of the contest in the top of the first inning, but were able to hold the Lady Braves scoreless to maintain the victory.

Queen went 1-3 in the game with one RBI and Crawford was 2-3. Bender again went 2-2 at the plate.

On the final day of the Rebel Spring Games, Morehead State beat IUPUI, 3-1, for their third consecutive victory.

Although the Lady Eagles had only two hits compared to the Lady Jaguars' four, they were able to hold on to the win thanks to a home run by Queen in the first inning that drove in two runs.

IUPUI scored one run in the bottom of the last inning, but they were not able to put together a big enough rally to overcome the deficit.

In the last game of the week for the Lady Eagles, they beat Towson, 2-1.

The contest was tied 1-1 before MSU scored in the bottom of the final inning to gain the victory.

Fohl went 2-4 with one RBI in the game. Six other Lady Eagles had one hit each.

Pitcher Molly Surratt gained the victory in the contest, improving her record to 3-2.

Thanks to the four game winning streak, Morehead State posted its best spring break record since 1993.

MSU improved to 9-11 during the break.

The Lady Eagles were in action yesterday with a doubleheader against Akron. They will begin the Ohio Valley Conference season this weekend with three games at Tennessee-Marlin.

## Unexpected upsets in tournament

The Dukies are the favorite to be cutting down the nets



BY JENNIFER BROWN  
SPORTS COLUMNIST  
The NCAA Tournament Selection Committee put

together some unbelievable matchups this year. There were plenty of upsets in the second round.

How about St. Bonaventure? They went neck-to-neck with Kentucky in two overtime before the Wildcats prevailed. Then the Orangemen created problems for the Cats, holding them to just 32 percent shooting.

Syracuse won, and I was happy for them. Now, it's off to Auburn Hills, Michigan, to battle the Spartans in the Sweet 16.

The West regional bracket has gone wild. Who would have thought that Purdue, LSU, Wisconsin, and Gonzaga would be in the Sweet 16? Just think, one of these teams is going to the Final Four. The top three seeds were knocked out before the Sweet 16, the first time that has happened in a region since 1992.

What about North Carolina upsetting Stanford in the South? Bill Gutteridge took heat all season, but carried it with class.

Brenden Haywood, Ed Coia,

and the rest of the Tar Heels showed a lot of heart and emotion. They proved they had talent all along.

Then there is Seion Hall. What a job that club did. With Shaheen Holloway sidelined with an ankle injury, Ty Shire stepped up big. I could just tell this is the year that Purdue makes it to the Final Four? The Boilermakers will have their hands full when they take on Gonzaga.

LSU hooks up with Wisconsin on the other side of the West bracket. The Tigers are in the Sweet 16 for the first time since 1987.

UCLA might give Iowa State a tough match, if they play the way

they did against Maryland. The Bruins were 13-11 at one point in the season, but they have come together big time.

What a Duke Duke had! All they were asked to do was beat Kansas in the second round. It was amazing for the Blue Devils to win despite shooting 2 for 17 from 3-point range and allowing Kansas 22 offensive rebounds.

Now they have to deal with Florida. The Gators were very impressive against Illinois.

I pick the Dukies to be the team cutting down the nets in Indianapolis.

Baseball at Marshall University

## Upcoming Eagle Athletic Events

March 23	Men's Tennis hosts Murray State	2:30 p.m.
March 23	Baseball hosts Youngstown State DH	3:00 p.m.
March 25	Women's Tennis hosts Murray State	9:00 a.m.
March 25	Softball at Tennessee-Martin DH	1:00 p.m.
March 25	Baseball at Tennessee Tech DH	2:00 p.m.
March 25	Women's Tennis hosts Dayton	4:30 p.m.
March 25	Track teams at Cedarville College	TBA
March 26	Baseball at Tennessee Tech	2:00 p.m.
March 26	Softball at Tennessee-Martin	2:00 p.m.
March 28	Baseball at Marshall University	2:00 p.m.

## Tennis teams earn home victories against Georgetown

BY AARON ARNOLD  
STAFF WRITER

The men's and women's tennis teams hosted Georgetown College on March 9 at the George A. Sadler Tennis Courts. The men crushed the Tigers 6-1, while the Lady Eagles pulled out a 7-2 victory, despite having the services of only five athletes.

Leading the way for the Eagles were senior Christoph Pochler and freshman Benny Schmidt, who both picked up hard fought singles matches and continued their brilliant doubles play. Pochler's 6-3, 4-6, 7-6 (4) victory pushed his singles record to 8-1, while Schmidt's season mark stands at 7-2. The duo

remained undefeated as they knocked off Georgetown's Edgar Sabarot and Michael Cunningham in an 8-4 decision.

Edward Richelle, Rob McKay, and Santiago Sahagan helped the Eagles move their season record to 8-2, as they all had no difficulties in their singles matches. Sophomores Greg Dawkins and Santiago Sahagan also picked up a doubles victory.

The Lady Eagles crept closer to 500 as they claimed all five of their singles matches, highlighted by sophomore Karla Zaldio's straight sets victory #1 #1 singles. The win moved her record to 7-4.

Also turning in key perfor-

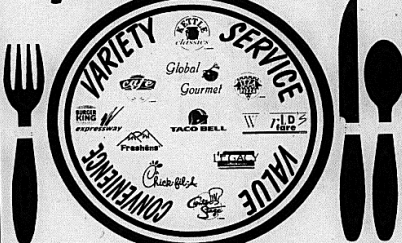
mances were seniors Robyn Adams and Amy Haybarker, and junior Tendi Chingoka and sophomore Marisa Richelle who helped push the Lady Eagles to 5-6.

Both Zaldio and Chingoka, and Adams and Haybarker remained undefeated in their doubles season, as they breezed past their Lady Tiger counterparts.

After finishing up a busy week during Spring Break, the Eagles and Lady Eagles will return home this week when they host Murray State. The men will be in action on Thursday at 2:30 p.m., while the women meet the Racers at 9 a.m. on Saturday.

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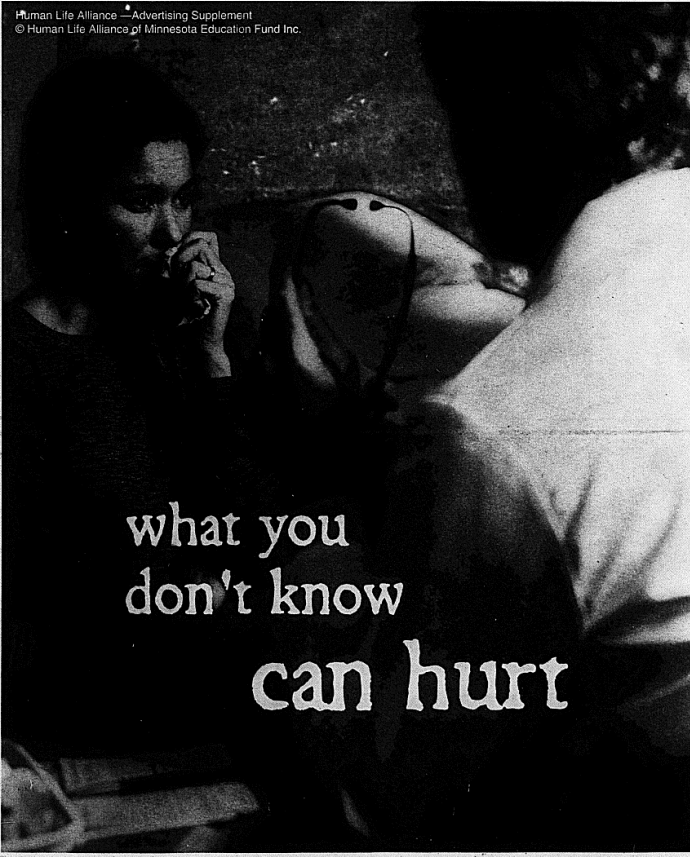
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## When My Girlfriend Got Pregnant

Rarely is the male's side of the story explored. Many of the same emotions felt by the would-be mother are also felt by the would-be father. I am speaking from firsthand experience. My girlfriend became pregnant when we were 18 years old. This fact was concealed from me until after the pregnancy was already terminated...

Our relationship deteriorated in the months after because of behavioral problems not unlike those mentioned in the insert. For many months, and even years, after this experience I sometimes try to imagine what our child would look like. What would be his or her name? Would I be a good father? These and many others are the questions that still go through my mind.

I am not suggesting that my pain, or any pain felt by males, can equal that of the female, but it should be addressed. After all, abortion is an issue that touches us all.

William Wheeler

## What's So Awful about Options?

The reaction by many to last week's insert on abortion is very telling. Some attempted to censor the insert. Others, profoundly disturbed by the biological facts of fetal development, could not look through the ad.

Of those who decried the insert I ask, what is so awful about a mother changing her mind and deciding to keep her baby? Why do your abortion lobbies oppose informed consent, a standard practice for every other intrusive medical procedure? What offends you about pregnancy care centers? The information can only help women make a fully informed decision. The reaction to the insert confirms once again for me that the activists on the abortion issue are not "pro-choice" but fully pro-abortion.

Kristian M. Dahl

## Someone Understood My Pain

Your supplement caught my eye. With the heavy guilt of an abortion 13 years ago, seeing a pro-life insert was a life-saver. The supplement was an instrumental tool in helping me gain a deeper perception of abortion and made me realize that there are people out there who understand my pain. The testimonies gave me hope and moved me to push forward with the healing process. I want to continue the healing and eventually speak publicly about abortion and the reality of its consequences.

Sandy M.

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## The Semantics Game: Soundbites in Perspective

**Soundbite:** *I believe in a woman's "right to choose."* Choose what? - vanilla or chocolate ice cream? In the abortion issue, the choice is to either give the child the gift of life, or choose to have the unborn baby put to death! Abraham Lincoln once said, "No one has the right to do what is wrong." Should a child's life hanging in the balance be reduced to a legal "choice"?

**Soundbite:** *I wouldn't have an abortion myself, but I wouldn't interfere with another's right to have (or to "choose") one.* What if the abolitionists had bought this rationale? Would slavery have ever been banned? An analogy could be: *I wouldn't use cocaine or excessive alcohol myself, but I wouldn't interfere with a pregnant woman's right to do so.* Does a developing baby have a right to be protected from fetal alcohol syndrome? - from an untimely death?

**Soundbite:** *If abortion becomes illegal, women will resort to back alley abortions again.*

The truth of the matter is that in 1973, the year before abortion was legalized in all 50 states, 39 women died from illegal abortion, but, in the same year, 21 women died from legal abortions (available in two states). To study an in-depth examination of this issue, refer to our web site ([www.humanlife.org/illegal](http://www.humanlife.org/illegal)) for the comprehensive statistical compilation by Dr. Jack Willkie from his new book, *Why Can't We Love Them Both*.

**Soundbite:** *Every child should be a wanted child.* There may be unplanned pregnancies, but there is no such thing as an "unwanted" baby. Over 2,000,000 eager couples are waiting to adopt. Abortion advocates had argued that if every child were "wanted," there would be no more child abuse. The opposite has happened. Child abuse has increased over 700% since abortion became legal in 1973.

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# what you don't know CAN hurt you...

## can abortion increase your risk of breast cancer?

by Joel Brind, Ph.D.

According to 27 out of 31 studies, even one abortion increases the risk of getting breast cancer later in life. Dr. Joel Brind, an endocrinology specialist, who has done a great deal of research on this issue and has compiled the results of the numerous studies, explains below the science behind the link. For the complete article, research, documentation and a response to those who deny the link, check out [www.humanlife.org/breastcancer](http://www.humanlife.org/breastcancer).

### Abortion Disrupts Hormonal Balance

Estrogen is the hormone that turns a girl's body into a woman's body at puberty. Actually, there is a whole class of similar steroids, estrogens, which can stimulate the growth of the breasts and other female tissues. The most abundant and important estrogen secreted by a woman's ovaries is called estradiol.

After puberty, the levels of estradiol rise and fall twice with each menstrual cycle. Under the influence of the pituitary gland's follicle stimulating hormone (FSH), new, egg-containing follicles develop in the ovaries during the first half of the menstrual cycle. The follicular, estradiol-secreting cells surrounding the eggs proliferate, and so the ovaries secrete ever larger quantities of estradiol, reaching a peak about one day before ovulation. This pre-ovulatory peak is the highest blood level of estradiol a woman ever normally experiences in the non-pregnant state. It stimulates her pituitary gland to secrete another hormone, luteinizing hormone (LH), which actually triggers ovulation.

After ovulation, the follicle which has expelled the egg becomes filled with another kind of cell called a luteal cell. These luteal cells proliferate under the influence of pituitary LH, thus secreting ever larger quantities of both estradiol and the pregnancy hormone progesterone, from which estradiol is made.

Since pituitary secretion of LH falls off quite sharply after ovulation, the corpus luteum (as the former follicle is now called) begins to regress, unless fertilization of the egg (conception) takes place. If conception has occurred, the embryo begins—almost immediately—to secrete another chemical messenger which acts like LH to “rescue” the corpus luteum.

If rescued, the corpus luteum proceeds to generate enormous concentrations of progesterone and estradiol. By 7 to 8 weeks gestation, a pregnant woman's blood already contains six times more estradiol than it did at the time of conception, more than twice the highest level attained in the non-pregnant state.

### Cancer Cells Run Amok

How estradiol, or estrogens in general, relate to breast cancer risk, has to do with their role in the growth of breast tissue. It is estradiol which makes the breasts grow to a mature size at puberty, and which makes them grow again during pregnancy. The cells in the breast which are responsive to estradiol are those which are primitive, or undifferentiated. Once terminally differentiated into milk-producing cells, breast cells can no longer be stimulated to reproduce.

It is the undifferentiated cells which can give rise to cancerous tumors later in life. If a woman therefore has gone through some weeks of a normal pregnancy, and then aborts that pregnancy, she is left with more of these cancer-vulnerable cells than she had in her breasts before she was pregnant. In addition, any abnormal, potentially cancer-forming cells already in her breasts (present to some extent in all people) have also been stimulated to multiply. All this translates into a statistically greater probability that a cancerous tumor may eventually arise. In fact most risk factors for breast cancer are attributable to overexposure to some form of estrogen.

In contrast, a full term pregnancy results in full differentiation of the breast tissue for the purpose of milk production, which leaves fewer cancer-vulnerable cells in the breasts than were there before the pregnancy began. This translates into the well known breast cancer risk lowering effect of a full term pregnancy...

### The Difference Between Abortions And Miscarriages

Most miscarriages occur in the first trimester, and over 90% of these are characterized by abnormally low maternal estradiol levels (quantities that do not exceed non-pregnant levels). One team of Swiss obstetricians, as far back as 1976, was actually able to predict miscarriages with 92% accuracy with just a single measurement of estradiol. Theoretically, this makes perfect sense: The very reason for an early miscarriage is an inadequate supply of progesterone from which estradiol is made.

However, there is reason to believe that pregnancies which survive the first trimester (and they couldn't survive without adequately high progesterone levels, which are paralleled by estradiol) are likely to raise breast cancer risk, if they go on to miscarry due to physical trauma or anatomic defect. Since most miscarriages do occur in the first trimester, miscarriages generally have been found not to increase the risk of breast cancer.



## The Symphony of Life

The late Jérôme LeJeune, M.D., Ph.D., one of the world's foremost authorities in the field of genetics, taught us much about the intricacies of the beginning of human life.

Dr. LeJeune called that very first cell, the fertilized egg, “the most specialized cell under the sun.” He explained that the fertilized egg contains more information about the new individual than can be stored in five sets (not volumes) of the *Encyclopaedia Britannica* (if enlarged to normal print). No other cell will ever again have the same instructions as those in the life of the individual being created.

In the words of Dr. LeJeune, “Each of us has a very precise starting point which is the time at which the whole necessary and sufficient genetic information is gathered inside one cell, the fertilized egg, and this is the moment of fertilization. There is not the slightest doubt about that, and we know that this information is written on a kind of ribbon which we call the DNA.”

To further emphasize the minuteness of the DNA language, Dr. LeJeune drew a most interesting analogy. He said that if all the one-meter-long DNA of the sperm and all the one-meter-long DNA of the egg which contain the instructions for the 100 billion human beings who will replace us on this planet were brought together in one place, the total amount of matter would be roughly the size of two aspirin tablets.

“At no time,” Dr. LeJeune stated, “is

the human being a blob of protoplasm. As far as your nature is concerned, I see no difference between the early person that you were at conception and the late person which you are now. You were, and are, a human being.”

The Science of Fertility has advanced to the point that it can now be determined within three to seven days after fertilization if the new human being is a boy or a girl.

When Dr. LeJeune testified in a Tennessee Court in 1989 as to the humanity of seven frozen embryos he held the court spellbound with the following analogy of man's “symphony of life.” He explained that if you were to buy a CD on which a Mozart symphony had been recorded and insert it in a player, what is being reproduced is the movement of the air that transmits to you the genius of Mozart. Accordingly, LeJeune further explained, “It's exactly the same way life is played. On the tiny mini-cassettes, which are our chromosomes, are written various parts of the opus which is for [a] human symphony, and as soon as all the information necessary...to spell the whole symphony [is brought together] this symphony plays itself; that is, a new man is beginning his career... as soon as he has been conceived, a man is a man.”

Dr. Jérôme LeJeune, who resided in Paris, France, discovered the genetic cause of Down Syndrome. He received the Kennedy Prize for the discovery and, in addition, received the Memorial Allen Award Medal, the world's highest award in the field of Genetics.

# i was NEVER that small, was i?

## Fertilization

The sperm joins with the ovum to form one cell. This one cell contains the complex genetic makeup for every detail of human development—the child's sex, hair and eye color, height, skin tone, etc.

## 1 Month One

The first cell divides and cell division continues in an orderly fashion as the small group of cells travels down the fallopian tube to the uterus. There are over 100 cells present when this tiny embryo reaches the uterus 7 to 10 days after fertilization. Foundations of the brain, spinal cord and nervous system are already established, and on day 22 the heart begins to beat in a regular fashion. Muscles are forming, and arms, legs, eyes and ears have begun to show. The embryo is 10,000 times larger than the original fertilized egg and developing rapidly.

baby at 6 weeks gestation

## 2 Month Two

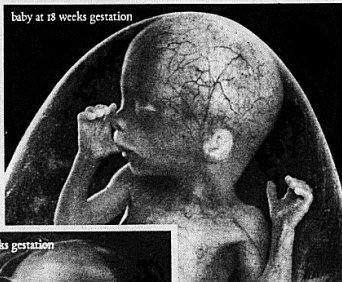
The preborn baby has all her fingers. Brain waves can be detected and the brain is controlling 40 sets of muscles as well as the organs. The jaw forms, including teeth buds in the gums. The eyelids seal during this time to protect the baby's developing light-sensitive eyes, the stomach produces digestive juices, and the kidneys have begun to function. The developing baby is now referred to as the fetus, a Latin word meaning "young one."

## 3 Month Three

Unique fingerprints are evident and never change. The baby now sleeps, awakens and exercises her muscles by turning her head, curling her toes, and opening and closing her mouth

baby at 8 weeks gestation

baby at 18 weeks gestation



## 6 Month Six

Oil and sweat glands are functioning. The baby's delicate skin is protected in the amniotic sac by a special ointment "vernix."

## 7 Month Seven

The baby's brain has as many cells as it will have at birth. The preborn child uses the four senses of vision, hearing, taste and touch. Research has documented that she can now recognize her mother's voice.

## 8 Month Eight

The skin begins to thicken, with a layer of fat stored underneath for insulation and nourishment. The baby swallows a gallon of amniotic fluid per day. She often hiccups. She has been urinating for several months.

## 9 Month Nine

Toward the end of this month, the baby is ready for birth. After birth new brain cells are being formed for nine months. Likewise, other organ systems are still maturing. Of the 45 generations of cell divisions before adulthood, 41 have taken place in the womb. Only four more will come before adolescence. In developmental terms we spend 90% of our lives in the womb.

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- often sucking her thumb. She breathes amniotic fluid to help develop her respiratory system. By the end of the month all the organs and systems of her body are functioning. The only major activity from now until birth is growth.

## 4 Month Four

By the end of this month the baby is 8 to 10 inches in length and weighs 1/2 pound. Her ears are functioning and the baby hears her mother's heartbeat, as well as external noises. Because the preborn child is now larger, the mother usually begins to feel her baby's movements.

## 5 Month Five

Half the pregnancy has now passed. The baby is about 12 inches long. If a sound is especially loud or startling, she may jump in reaction to it. Babies born at this stage of development are surviving at an increasing rate thanks to new advances in medical technology.



# behind closed doors...

## Common Abortion Methods

### SUCTION-ASPIRATION

The abortionist inserts a hollow plastic tube into the dilated uterus. "This tube is attached to a suction machine. The suction machine is turned on. The uterus is emptied by suction."<sup>1</sup> The suction tears the baby's body as he/she is being pulled through the hose.

### DILATION & EVACUATION (D&E)

Used after 12 weeks. The baby is too large to fit through the cervix. The baby "must be removed with instruments and suction curettage."<sup>2</sup> A pliers-like instrument is needed because the baby's bones are calcified, as is the skull. The abortionist inserts the instrument into the uterus, seizes a leg or other part of the body and, with a twisting motion, tears it from the baby's body. The spine must be snapped and the skull crushed in order to remove them from the womb. Body parts are then reassembled and counted to make certain that the entire baby has been removed from the womb.

### PROSTAGLANDIN CHEMICAL

This form of abortion uses chemicals, developed by the Upjohn Pharmaceutical Co., which cause the uterus to contract intensely, pushing out the developing baby. In one article, one of the complications listed with this method was "live birth."<sup>3</sup> In fact, the two most "dreaded" complications for an abortionist are a dead mother or a live baby.

### DILATION & EXTRACTION (D&X)

At a September 14, 1993 meeting of the National Abortion Federation, a trade association of abortion providers, an Ohio abortionist, Dr. Martin Haskell, described the D&X technique he has perfected. With the D&X method the preborn baby is alive until the end of the procedure when the child is killed by suctioning the brain tissue through a hole at the base of the skull while the baby's head is still inside the birth canal. Then the intact aborted child, minus brain content, is removed. The late Dr. James McMahon, a former abortion colleague of Dr. Haskell's, admitted that he used this D&X technique to abort preborn children up to 32 weeks "or more."

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Carol Everett was involved in the abortion industry in the Dallas-Ft. Worth, Texas area. As director of four clinics, owner of two, Ms. Everett was responsible for the clinics' daily operation. Everett, who had an abortion soon after it became legal in 1973, now speaks out on...

## "What I Saw in the Abortion Industry"

**Q** What is the governing force behind the abortion industry?

**A.** Money. It is a very lucrative business. It is the largest unregulated industry in our nation. Most of the clinics are run in chains because it is so profitable.

**Q** How much money were you making in the abortion industry before you quit?

**A.** I was getting a commission of \$25.00 on every abortion I "sold." In 1983, the year I got out, I would have pocketed approximately \$250,000. But, in 1984 we expected to be operating five clinics, terminating about 40,000 pregnancies, and with that projection I planned to net \$1 million. Money. Money—money—that's where my heart was.

**Q** Why do you refer to "selling" abortions?

**A.** The product, abortion, is skillfully marketed and sold to the woman at the crisis time in her life. She buys the product, finds it defective and wants to return it for a refund. But, it's too late. Her baby is dead.

**Q** In what way is the woman deceived?

**A.** In two ways—the clinic personnel and the marketers must deny the personhood of the child and the pain caused by the procedure. Every woman has two questions, "Is it a baby?" and "Does it hurt?" The abortionist must answer "NO." He/she must lie to secure the consent of the woman and the collection of the clinic's fee. The women were told that we were dealing with a "product of conception" or a "glob of tissue." They were told that there would be only slight cramping, whereas, in reality, an abortion is excruciatingly painful.

**Q** What type of counseling was offered at the clinics?

**A.** In the clinics in which I was involved we didn't do any real counseling. We answered only the questions the women asked and tried not to "rock the boat." We did not discuss alternatives to abortion unless the woman forced us to. We sold abortions.

**Q** What method of abortion did your clinics use?

**A.** For the most part, the abortion industry stopped using saline and prostaglandin procedures because of the number of live births. A live birth means you have to let the baby die, or dispose of it in some distasteful way. Most second and third trimester abortionists use the D & E (dilation and evacuation) method. The abortionist uses large forceps to crush the baby inside the mother's uterus and remove it in pieces. The baby must be re-constructed outside the uterus to be certain all the parts have been removed.



Meot Carol Everett—the woman who ran four abortion centers.

**Q** How did you dispose of an aborted baby?

**A.** In our clinics, we put them down the garbage disposal. We used the heavy duty model. Some second and third trimester babies' muscle structure is so strong that the baby will not come apart, so they must be disposed of through trash receptacles.

**Q** Abortion is supposed to be a "safe" experience. What complications did you witness?

**A.** We were doing a one-day traumatic dilation, which has a higher rate of complication. In the last 18 months I was in the business, we were completing over 500 abortions monthly and killing or maiming one woman out of 500. Common complications that take place are perforations or tears in the uterus. Many of those result in hysterectomies. The doctor might cut or harm the urinary tract, which then requires surgical repair. A complication that is rarely publicized is the one in which the doctor perforates the uterus and pulls the bowels through the vagina, resulting in colostomy. Some of those can be reversed, some must live with the colostomy for the remainder of their lives.

**Q** How did you keep these complications and deaths from the public?

**A.** The woman would be loaded into my car (an ambulance outside an abortion clinic is terrible advertising) and transported to a hospital that would protect the doctor and the abortion clinic's reputation. The concern is not with the patient, only in keeping an unblemished reputation. You have a built-in cover-up with the patient's family. They are dealing with their guilt and emotions over the situation and do not want to deal with the added pressure of exposing the truth through the media.

**Q** Why did you get out of the abortion business?

**A.** Two things came into play at about the same time. I experienced a profoundly religious transformation—a conversion. At about the time I was having second thoughts, a Dallas television station did an expose disclosing the abortions performed at my clinic on non-pregnant women—all for money! I finally realized, "We weren't helping women—we were destroying them—and their children."

## PARTIAL-BIRTH ABORTION

After three days of preparations, the abortionist places an ultrasound transducer on the mother's abdomen and locates the child's legs and feet. The abortionist then uses a large forceps to grasp one of the baby's legs. He pulls firmly, forcing the child into a feet-down (breech) position. He continues pulling until the baby's leg is drawn into the birth canal.

Next, using his hands instead of forceps, the abortionist delivers the baby's body in a manner similar to a breech birth. First, the child's other leg is delivered, followed by the torso, shoulders, and arms. The baby's head "usually" remains inside the uterus.

The abortionist then performs the last step which Dr. Haskell calls "fetal skull decompression." Using blunt-tipped surgical scissors in a closed position, he pierces the child's head at the base of the skull. He then forces the scissors open to enlarge the skull opening. The abortionist then inserts a suction catheter into the brain and vacuums out the child's brain tissue (in Dr. Haskell's words, "vacuums the skull contents") causing the baby's death. The skull collapses and the dead baby is removed.

Barbara Radford, Executive Director of the National Abortion Federation said of this abortion technique, in a 4/8/93 letter to NAF members, "Don't apologize this is a legal abortion procedure." (The preceding information on partial-birth abortion has been taken from the American Medical News, July 5, 1993 edition).

## WHAT THE NURSE SAW

In Sept., 1993, registered nurse Brea Pratt Schafer was assigned by her agency to an abortion clinic. She considered herself very "pro-choice" so didn't balk at the job ahead. She later reported what she had witnessed as the abortionist performed a partial-birth abortion on a woman who was 6 months pregnant:

"...The doctor delivered the baby's body and arms, everything but his little head. The baby's body was moving. His little fingers were clamping together. He was kicking his feet. The doctor took a pair of scissors and inserted them into the back of the baby's head, and the baby's arms jerked out, a startle reaction... Then the doctor opened the scissors. He stuck the high powered suction tube into the hole and sucked the baby's brains out. Now the baby went completely limp."

I never went back to the clinic. But I am still haunted by the face of that little boy. It was the most perfect, angelic face I have ever seen."

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# tough questions demand tough answers what about rape?

by David C. Reardon, Ph.D.

**R**ape and incest are very emotional topics. They often elicit in the general populace feelings of revulsion; people draw back from the issue of rape and incest, even from the victims of rape and incest.

The facts suggest that only a minority of rape and incest victims actually choose abortion.<sup>1</sup> Abortion is not usually chosen as the immediate solution.

Kathleen DeZeeuw states, "Having lived through rape, and also having raised a child 'conceived in rape,' I feel personally insulted and assaulted every time I hear that abortion should be legal because of rape and incest. I feel that we're being used by pro-abortionists to further the abortion issue, even though we've not been asked to tell our side."<sup>2</sup>

The children conceived through sexual assault also have a voice which deserves to be heard. Julie Malkorn, conceived by an act of rape, is not ashamed of her origin. Julie proudly proclaims: "It doesn't matter how I began. What matters is who I have become."<sup>3</sup>

## ABORTION ADDS TO THE PAIN OF RAPE

Various studies and my own research indicate that rape and incest victims fall into the high risk category of aborters. The existence of rape or incest is actually a contraindication for abortion. Jackie Bakker, whose testimony is in my book,<sup>4</sup> says, "I soon discovered that the aftermath of my abortion continued a long time after the memory of my rape had faded. Nobody told me about the emptiness and pain I would feel deep within, causing nightmares and deep depressions. They had all told me that after the abortion I could continue with my life as if nothing had happened." This is the same story we hear from a lot of aborted women. But for the rape and incest victim it is an especially keen story, because they have been told, "In your situation that is the only thing you can do." And they have been betrayed by that advice.

## WHY RAPE VICTIMS REFUSED ABORTION

Perhaps the best study was done by Dr. Sandra Malkorn, published in *Psychological Aspects of Abortion*.<sup>5</sup> Dr. Malkorn was an experienced rape counselor who identified pregnant rape victims who were treated by a social welfare agency. Of these 77, only five chose to have an abortion. Of the 28 who gave birth, 77 chose adoption and 1 kept the child themselves; for the remaining eight, research was unable to determine where the child was

placed.

Several reasons were given for not aborting. First, several women felt that abortion was another act of violence—that it was immoral or murder. One said she would only suffer more mental anguish from taking the life of a baby. Second, some saw an intrinsic meaning or purpose to the child. Somehow this child was foisted into their lives, but, on the other hand, they sensed some sort of hidden purpose behind it. And although not responsible for having brought the child into being, it had happened, and the consequences could be lived with. Third, at a subconscious level, the rape victim feels that if she can get through the pregnancy she will have conquered the rape. Outlasting pregnancy shows she is better than the rapist who brutalized her. Giving birth, then, is the way rape victims seek to reclaim their self-esteem. It is a totally selfless act, a generous act, especially in light of the pressure to abort. It is a way for them to display their courage and strength to survive even a rape.

In her study, Malkorn found that the primary difficulty they experienced with the rape pregnancy was pressure from other people who saw the pregnancy as a blot to be eliminated. Family and friends just weren't supportive of the woman's choice to bear the child.

Dr. Malkorn also found that in the group who carried their pregnancies to term, none, at the end of pregnancy, wished she had decided on an abortion. Abortion inhibits the healing to the rape victim and reinforces negative attitudes.

## ABORTION REINFORCES WOMEN'S POWERLESSNESS

Another example is Vanessa Landry, another rape victim who said, "I didn't really want to have the abortion. I have always been against abortion all my life. My social worker just kept telling me all kinds of things to encourage me to have the abortion. She said I was just another minority bringing a child into the world and there were too many already." Here is a woman who is being victimized not only because she is a rape victim, but also because she is black and a minority and she has a low income.

Childbirth can be a victory. For the majority of pregnant rape victims who

wisely choose to forego abortion, childbirth is the choice of triumph over rape. It is a choice that says, "Rape will not dictate my life." It allows them to show their own courage and generosity. It can be shown that the abortion is not necessary, and indeed is very likely to hinder recovery by increasing feelings of guilt, shame and low self-esteem.

## LIKE INCEST, ABORTION PROMOTES SILENCE

Incest victims face similar problems. Incest is a very complex issue, but the vast majority of incest victims want to carry their pregnancy to term. These are young girls for whom pregnancy is a way to break out of an incestuous relationship with their father or other family members, [whom they may love] despite their confusion and resentment about the way they have been used as sexual objects. Since they still love the father, having the child can, not only help expose the incestuous relationship, but also give hope of beginning a truly loving relationship.

In studies of incest victims, the vast majority choose to carry the pregnancy to term. Those in the minority who have an abortion do so only under pressure from their parents to conceal the incestuous relationship. Because incest is a family pathology that often involves father, mother and daughter, all are involved in a conspiracy of silence.<sup>6</sup>

I interviewed Edith Young, now 38 years old, who was a rape and incest victim at 12 years of age. To cover up the incident, her parents procured an abortion for her without telling her what was to happen. The emotional and physical scars of incest and abortion still last to this day. She said, "I was being sexually attacked, threatened by him and betrayed by Mom's silence...the abortion which was to be in 'my best interest' has not been...it only 'saved their reputations,' solved their problems and allowed their lives to go merrily on."<sup>7</sup>

We need to join rape and incest victims in demanding that pro-abortionists stop exploiting the pain of innocent women's problems for their own political and financial ends. David C. Reardon, Ph.D., is Director of the Elliot Institute for Social Sciences Research and author of "Aborted Women: Silent No More." More info. at [www.humanlife.org/forabortion](http://www.humanlife.org/forabortion).

## Women Unhappy With Abortions

**G**lamour (Feb. 1994), a popular women's magazine, receiving input from 3000 women reported, "Virtually all of those who'd had abortions in the past said that if they'd only known how much they'd regret having an abortion after the fact, they never would have agreed to the procedure."<sup>8</sup>

The magazine also noted, "The births of subsequent children or some other exposure to the intricacies of child development were often listed as experiences that helped them see just how misguided they had been in deciding to abort."<sup>9</sup>

One woman said "Society told us it [abortion] was safe and legal. And the abortionist and her crew never counseled me on anything—the procedure itself, the risks, the alternatives...I wondered why, if I had participated in this wonderful, self-liberating experience, I did not feel a sense of deliverance, but a loss of self respect, and little by little, a loss of myself."<sup>10</sup>

## he should know

"In medical practice,  
Increased Infertility  
there are few surgical  
Punctured Uterus, Bowel  
procedures given so  
Lacerated Cervix  
little attention and so  
Pelvic Inflammatory Disease  
underrated in their  
Hysterectomy  
potential hazards as  
Piscataway  
abortion...it is  
Ovarian Cancer  
commonly held that  
Coma  
complications are  
Breast Cancer  
inevitable."

Dr. Warren Hern  
prominent U.S. abortionist  
from his book *Abortion Practice*

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# feeling alone? don't know where to turn?

## you're not alone anymore

I was unexpectedly pregnant and in shock. The doctor from the university clinic confirmed my haunting suspicion. For a moment I felt gripped by my mind. Quickly, I became numb. Overwhelmed by the mammoth ordeal that lay before me, I felt as if I were preparing for a final exam.

The doctor was sweet and quite professional. After questioning my financial situation, she emphasized that there was no way I could finish college with a baby. She said if I didn't finish school, I was selling myself short. I was told "your life is your own so it's up to you to take control."

I asked the doctor when life began, and she never did answer my question. Not then, not ever. I left the clinic outwardly confident, but inwardly in more turmoil than before.

At my next appointment, the doctor seemed disappointed I hadn't yet scheduled an abortion. With a look of alarm on her face, she warned that if I didn't act quickly, "it" would be "too big."

Her words continued to seem kind and nice, but were still evasive. The last time I saw her, she gently but firmly scolded me for not acting promptly in "terminating the pregnancy." Adding the reminder, "If you want to be the best person you can be, I left means finishing college."

The father of my child, my live-in boyfriend, remained distant. He advocated that I comply with the doctor's advice, emphasizing that doctors take an oath to uphold life. Why would I question someone who only had my best interest in mind?

No one knew of my pregnancy, except my boyfriend, my doctor and me. Fearing condemnation and judgment, I didn't reach out to those around me. Perceiving I had all the necessary information to make the right choice, I scheduled an appointment for an abortion and followed through—alone.

Coming out of the clinic, I didn't know if I had failed or passed, but I sensed that something had happened that would be on my mind and heart for the rest of my life.

Years later, I painfully realized that when I chose to "terminate the pregnancy," I chose to eliminate my child. Moreover, what I thought was "choice," was not. I did want to know when life began. Only I was not told the truth about my pregnancy—the life within. I am angry about that.

The doctor did not think I was capable of reaching life's challenges. In truth, she sold me short.

If I could have done it over again, I would have spoken to just one more person. I would have sought out just one more alternative. I would have tried one more of anything, simply to give myself a true choice, a choice for life.

Please call. I know you're tired. I know you're overwhelmed. I know you're alone.

But find the strength to contact one of the resources on this page. You are worth it. One day you will forget having been alone, overwhelmed, and not knowing what to do, but you'll never forget your child. J.C.

Statement by Dr. James Fogel, a psychiatrist, obstetrician, and abortion provider:

*"Abortion is an impassioned subject... Every woman—whatever her age, background—has a trauma at destroying a pregnancy. A level of humanness is touched. This is part of her own life. She destroys a pregnancy, she is destroying herself. There is no way it can be innocuous... It is totally beside the point whether or not you think a life is there. You cannot deny that something is being created and that this creation is physically happening... But it is not as harmless and casual an event as many in the pro-abortion crowd insist. A psychological price is paid. It may be alienation; it may be a pushing away from human warmth, perhaps a hardening of the maternal instinct. Something happens on the deeper levels of a woman's consciousness when she destroys a pregnancy. I know that as a psychiatrist."*

every night...

screams...

in every baby I see...

her...

she's gone...

what have I done?

Are you struggling after an abortion?

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1.800.5.WE.CARE



Local help is just a phone call away.

## For pregnancy care near you...

**nurturing network**

**1.800.866.4666**

**www.nurturingnetwork.org**

Operates 24 hours a day to provide positive alternatives to abortion by offering every mother an individual support program free of charge. Provides an extensive employment, medical, educational, counseling, and residential network that allows mothers to nurture the lives of their unborn children without sacrificing their own educational or career goals.

**birthright**

**1.800.550.4900**

**www.birtheright.org**

Provides free and confidential pregnancy tests, non-judgmental support for pregnant women. Referrals for legal assistance, parenting classes, breast-feeding, child care, employment and education, adoption services and counseling, and medical care.

## pregnancy centers online directory

**www.prolife.org/pcps-online**

A listing of individual crisis pregnancy centers by state. Just search for your state and call any of the nearby centers for help.

## For help after an abortion...

**american rights coalition**

**1.800.634.2224**

**project Rachel**

**1.800.5.WE.CARE**

Offer free and confidential counseling.

**life dynamics (legal help)**

**1.800.401.6494**

Offer free legal counsel for women who have been hurt by abortion. Legal help from professional volunteer lawyers.

## you did WHAT with your baby?



**"Relinquishing my son was the hardest decision I will ever have to make, but I'm more confident than ever that it was the right one."**

**I**t was the beginning of my junior year in high school. I was excited, looking forward to another year of diving, gymnastics and track. But this excitement quickly ended when I realized I was pregnant.

When the pregnancy was confirmed, my mind went racing. It wasn't enough to just say that I was scared—I was terrified! The idea of having an abortion was never a consideration for me. I could not live with the realization that I was responsible for taking the life of my child—a death because of my actions.

My first instincts told me that I needed to raise my child on my own. I knew I could love and care for a child, but when I stopped thinking about myself, and thought about what was best for my child, I knew adoption was the right decision. I was sixteen at the time. I wanted to go back to school for my senior year and wanted to participate fully, in sports etc. I wanted to go on to college.

I knew I could not do all of this and raise a child at the same time. I did not want to have to live with my parents indefinitely and depend on them for everything. I did not want them to be thrust into the role of prime care-givers for my child. It just would not be fair for any of us, for them, myself or the baby. I knew that placing my child for adoption would be the right thing to do, the loving alternative!

The adoption procedure I opted for is not your ordinary plan. I chose to do an independent open adoption. Through this process I was able to select from among the prospective adoptive par-

ents. I had the opportunity to establish a personal relationship with them as well as to develop a lasting friendship. The more I got to know them the more excited I was about placing my baby with this couple. They had so much love and security to offer my child. They were there with me in the hospital when my son was born. Their video camcorder ran non-stop.

I will always treasure the three days I spent in the hospital with my son. Handing him over to his new parents was by no means easy, but I knew in my heart that this was the right decision for both of us.

Many tears were shed throughout the nine months and during the hospital stay. But, they were not all tears of sadness. I miss my son very much. I think about him every day and a smile comes to my face. I thank the Lord that He led me to two such special people to be adoptive parents for my child.

It has been several years since my son was born. He now has an adoptive sister. I keep in contact with the family through letters and pictures. I can't begin to explain the feelings of pride and contentment that I experience when I see the smile on his face.

I am now a junior in college majoring in paralegal studies. Relinquishing my son was the hardest decision I will ever have to make, but I'm more confident than ever that it was the right one. While in the hospital I received a card which read, "Some people come into our lives, leave footprints on our hearts, and we are never the same." This is so true!

*Lisa O.*

## tim, i think i'm pregnant.



It was New Year's Eve. My boyfriend stared deeply, his gaze remaining fixed on the TV. He then muttered something that made me feel already deserted. I felt a sour lump in the back of my throat. Yes, I was pregnant, and I was scared!

I knew from first hand experience how tough it is raising a child as a single mother. I already had a 2-year old daughter, Jennifer, from an earlier unsuccessful marriage. We lived in the inner city and could barely make ends meet. When my pregnancy was confirmed, Tim's non-committal response to my distress and his move to Chicago, 400 miles away, left me despondent and leaning more and more toward abortion as the "easy way out." I was already struggling financially with one child. How could I raise two?

I drove to Chicago to try to convince Tim to marry me. He was deaf to my pleas and unmoved by my tears. Believing I had no viable alternative, I convinced him to give me money for an abortion.

As I sat in the abortion clinic waiting my turn, everything around me seemed like a nightmare. Women lounged on garishly printed couches as rock music played on the intercom. Everything seemed so casual, and there I was, feeling like I wanted to die.

When the nurse called my name, I changed my mind, broke into tears, and left.

I felt desperately alone. Back at the university, I often cried myself to sleep. I decided to confide in a couple of college professors. They collected money to fly me back to Chicago to have an abortion. Now I was determined, even obligated, to go through with it. Still, I agonized! Ironically, that semester, I was taking a class in fetal development. I knew there was a baby in my womb with her heart beating and her own circulatory system. Those pictures flashed in my mind as I sat there, clad in a paper gown and paper slippers.

I was summoned to the room where the abortions are performed. I could hear a woman sobbing hysterically in the recovery room. It reminded me of someone who had witnessed the death of a loved one in a fatal accident. It haunts me still. As the doctor was examining me, prior to performing the abortion, he suddenly stopped and said to the nurse, "Get her out of here!

**"My two daughters inspired me to do great things. They never stood in the way of my career. They have only enhanced it."**

She's too far along!" Relief instantly washed over me! How odd! I had thought I wanted an abortion but now felt instantly relieved to know I was still pregnant.

I decided to use every ounce of courage I could muster to deal with my pregnancy. My ambivalence turned into love for my unborn child. When my beautiful daughter was born, I named her Melanie.



Alone and desperate, Angela Woodhull felt pressured to abort.

It took energy and creativity to support the three of us. My two daughters inspired me to do great things. They never stood in the way of my career. They have only enhanced it. I finished my degree; then I went on to get my Master's and Ph.D. Besides being a proud mother, I am happily married, a published author, a motivational speaker for one of the largest seminar companies in the U.S., and a musician.

I have learned that life is really about developing character. When we endure something tough, our character and self-esteem are strengthened. Many women who have confessed to me that they've had abortions have discovered that the "easy way out" is just an illusion. Some of them are in abusive relationships. Some are anti-depressants. Some others just seem detached from life. Some sadly remember their aborted child's "would be" birthday each year.

If you are in a crisis pregnancy, I cannot promise that it will be easy. I can only promise that the anguish will pass and there are people who will help you through this trying time. As someone who has "been there" I understand the anguish you are experiencing. One day you will look back on the birth of your child, and say, as I do, "I did the right thing. And I feel proud."

*Dr. Angela Woodhull, Ph.D.*

**every year over TWO MILLION  
2,000,000  
couples are denied  
the chance to adopt**